**Exeter-West Greenwich**

**Regional High School**

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**Scarlet Knights**

**Introduction**

Located at 930 Nooseneck Hill Road in West Greenwich Rhode Island, Exeter West Greenwich Regional High School strives to give its students in grades 9-12 the best education possible. Known around Rhode Island as one of the newer schools, EWG has quickly made a name for itself in regards to academics and athletics. “The Exeter West Greenwich School District will provide current and emerging technologies to improve and extend student learning and achievement, to restructure the academic environment, and to prepare our children for the future”. To contact EWG with any questions or concerns call the main office at (401) 397-6893.

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**Community Background**

**West Greenwich is a rural community located between Coventry and Exeter but still less than a thirty minute ride from the beach. Known as one of the least densely populated communities in the state covering nearly 52 square miles. Forty seven percent of West Greenwich is preserved in state parks and the commonly known Alton Jones Campus. Even with the big business sections containing the Center of New England and the nationally known Amgen West Greenwich maintains its rural behavior with plenty of farms and open ranges. The high school shares one building with the junior high school with a shared library and athletic fields. Less than a mile away**

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**Economic Characteristics**

**West Greenwich stands above average in comparison to its neighboring towns in the state. In 2011 the median household income was $102,550.00, nearly double the Rhode Island average and the nation average. In terms of families below the poverty level West Greenwich remains below average at 1.3% compared to the state and nation averages over 8%.**

**Income/Poverty (2007-2011)**

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|  | Your Community | Rhode Island | US |
| Median Household Income | **$102,550.00** | **$55,975.00** | **$52,762.00** |
| Median Family Income | **$110,363.00** | **$72,724.00** | **$64,293.00** |
| Per Capita Income | **$37,948.00** | **$29,685.00** | **$27,915.00** |
| All Families Below Poverty Level | **1.3%** | **8.9%** | **10.5%** |
| All People Below Poverty Level | **3.5%** | **12.8%** | **14.3%** |

**District Summary**

**Exeter West Greenwich serves both West Greenwich and Exeter residents providing a wide variety of different family types. In order to get a better understanding of EWG and its successes we will compare the district to two others in the state, Barrington and Central Falls. These two schools were chosen because Barrington is considered one of the state’s strongest schools and Central Falls is known as one of the weakest. This should give a good idea of where EWG stands in the ratings. In the upcoming categories we will look at the students their scores and the teaching, the three most important aspects of a district.**

**Teacher Qualifications (2007-2011)**

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| Qualifications and Student-Teacher Ratio | State | EWG | Barrington | Central Falls |
| Teachers with Emergency Certification | **1%** | **0%** | **0%** | **2%** |
| Not Highly Qualified Teachers | **3%** | **1%** | **1%** | **6%** |
| Teacher-Student Ratio | **1:11** | **1:10** | **1:12** | **1:10** |

**Student Characteristics**

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| Student Characteristics | State | EWG | Barrington | Central Falls |
| Student Eligibility for subsidized lunch | **46%** | **15%** | **5%** | **86%** |
| Students from various Ethnic Backgrounds | **-----** | **----** | **----** | **----** |
| Students Receiving Bilingual Learning Service | **6%** | **1%** | **2%** | **25%** |
| Students Receiving Special Education Service | **15%** | **13%** | **12%** | **22%** |

**The tables above show how similar Barrington and Exeter West Greenwich are in the ratings.**

**NECAP Scores**

**EWG might not reign number one in NECAP scores but in comparison to state scores and scores from Central Falls the hard work among students and teachers certainly pays off. In 11th grade reading and writing EWG did tie with Barrington which shows just how similar the two schools are.**

**School Analysis**

**Similar to how the districts were compared, a good way to analyze the school would be to compare it to a similar school at the top of the ratings. To keep things consistent we will compare EWG to Barrington. Based on the previous section EWG and Barrington were similar in regards to student performance and teacher qualifications. An important part of a schools performance relies in the students attendance and participation.**

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|  | **State** | **EWG** | **Barrington** |
| Attendance Rate | **91%** | **95%** | **96%** |
| Chronic Absenteeism | **17%** | **10%** | **6%** |
| Percent Graduated 2012 | **77.1%** | **90.5%** | **94.6%** |
| Percent Dropped out 2012 | **11.9%** | **3.4%** | **.7%** |
| Percent Received GED 2012 | **3.2%** | **2.0%** | **.7%** |
| Percent Still in School | **7.8%** | **4.1%** | **4%** |

**Conclusion**

**According to the statistics Exeter West Greenwich Regional High School is an excellent school. When compared to Barrington one of the top rated schools in the state of Rhode Island EWG stands neck and neck matching most test scores and student performance. Not to mention that EWG has fantastic Recreational sport leagues for children of all ages from baseball to soccer. Exeter West Greenwich provides a comfortable learning environment and welcoming atmosphere for students of all types.**

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